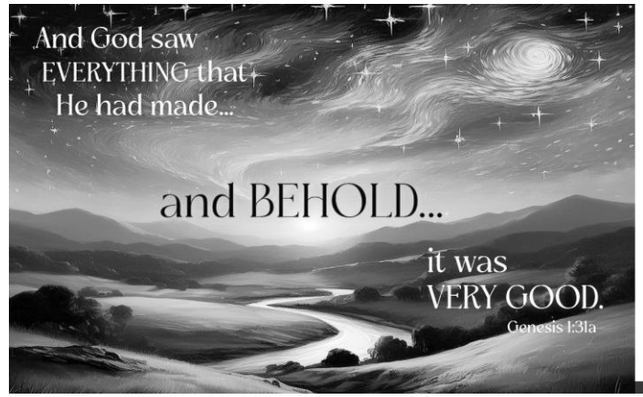
Opportunities to Serve

	Today – November 8	Next Sunday – November 15
Coffee/Juice/Tea Servers	Dave & Lisa Dykstra DJ & Taylor Droog Tom & Myrna De Vries	Jerry & Lora De Vries Kevin & Deb Hulstein Doug & Lorie De Stigter
Greeters AM **PM** **Upstairs AM/PM**	Jim Mouw Jerry & Sandy De Groot Trent & Julie Geleynse Jevon & Carrie Groenewold Will & Joyce Maas	Corinne Hentges Erik & Barb Hoekstra Jerry & Shirley Isakson Tim & Mel Klein Harlan, Maria & Shay Muilenburg
Sound	Dale Vander Berg	Matt Van Roekel
Video	Brian Vander Berg	Cheney Vander Berg
Power Point	Jim Bos	Darlene Reichert
Ushers	Brad De Kruyf, Dean & Darlene Reichert, Dan Van Schouwen	Brad De Kruyf, Dean & Darlene Reichert, Dan Van Schouwen
Rover	Denny De Kruyf	Eric Eekhoff
Children & Worship	Teacher: Krista S Helpers: Ellie M, Sophia F	Teacher: Krista S Helpers: Kaelyn S, Anastasia F
Nursery	A.M. P.M. Lisa D Liz VM Lisa M Maria M Kyler K Levi E Leah VM	A.M. P.M. Karen T Mel Kl Megan F Rhonda P Lochlan S Marcie VO Malia K
INFANTS & TODDLERS are welcome to come to the Toddler nursery.		
Bus Driver/Asst	Rich Koele Tom De Vries	Wes Kroeze Garret Visser
Weekend Janitors	Dean & Darlene Reichert	Tim & Mel Klein
PM Prayer Leader	Garret Visser	Steph Raih
Wednesday Night Meals	**Nov 11** - *Servers:* Rose K, Darlene R, Joanne S, Liz VM; *Cleanup:* Tyler K, Dan VS, Randy M, Jessica H	**Nov 18** - *Servers:* Jan B, Shirley K, Maria M, Christina B *Cleanup:* Nelvin B, Isaiah dR, Joe VS, TBD

Assistive Listening System Available

Hearing Assistance: Please ask someone at the sound booth for a receiver device.

Reminder! You can give a one-time gift or set up recurring giving anytime at https://www.firstcrc.com/give-online/.



FIRST CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

Sunday Worship: 9:30am and 6:00pm
Rev. Kurt Monroe, Pastor

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Welcome to First CRC as we celebrate what God has done for us in Jesus Christ! If you do not have a church home, we invite you to join with us regularly. Please join us for coffee, tea, juice, and fellowship after our morning service in the fellowship hall. Two tables are set up near the fireplace in the fellowship hall for members who would like to sit during their fellowship time.

Worship Notes ~ Sunday, November 8, 2026

Our worship services today will be led by Pastor Kurt Monroe.

This evening's service will include the celebration of the Lord's Supper. We invite all who have been ingrafted into Christ's church by baptism and who seek the nourishment and sustenance of our Lords's Supper to join us in our celebration of the sacrament. A gluten free option near the mailboxes is available to pick up before you enter the sanctuary.

A Children and Worship program is provided for children 3-5 years of age during the morning service. Children of visiting families are welcome! Our helpers will greet the children in the back of the sanctuary and lead them to our worship center. Parents are asked to pick up their children after the service in Room 8 upstairs.

Our offerings for November 8 are designated for our Ministry Fund, Christian Education Fund, and Benevolent Fund.

The Protestant Christian Church remembers the "Reformation" which led to the reaffirmation that we are saved by grace through faith in Christ alone. The banners at the front of our church celebrate this truth.

Announcements

College students are welcome to join in a Sermon Discussion group which meets today in the **lower** level of our south ministry building from 11am to 11:45pm.

At our Congregational Meeting held on **November 2,** the proposed 2027 budget was approved, and the following were chosen to serve three-year terms in office:
Elders: Jim Bos, Wayne Klein, Darrel Raih, Leendert van Beek.
Deacons: Alex Davelaar, Tyler Knobloch, Kyle Westra.
Pastoral Assistants: Tanya Alvarez, Cathy Feenstra, Kendra Thompson.
*-Please note: **Newly elected elders and deacons** are asked to be at the council officers' election tomorrow, November 9 at 7pm and reserve Sat. morning, Dec. 5 for orientation.*

All **children in grades K-8** are invited to sing "The Lord's Prayer" during this evening's offertory, **November 8th**. This was one of the chapel songs that SCCS students learned last year and coincides with Lord's Day 45, the sermon topic for the evening. All interested singers are invited to come at 5:00 on the 8th to run through the song before the service. If your children are interested in joining this group, please email Karen Timmer at kevinkarentimmer@gmail.com.

Don't miss our Wednesday night meal this week! Our menu includes: Chicken fajita, pea, chili, and baked potato soup; tavern, sweet rolls, salad, and cookies. Serving is from 5-6:30pm. A suggested donation of $3/person or $12/family is appreciated.

Our GEMS Girls' Club thanks you for supporting their fundraiser again this year!

The Grateful Pumpkin will be making its rounds throughout the month of November. If you see an oversized pumpkin on your lawn, please follow the instructions included on the back to share something you're grateful for. Then pass it along to a fellow 1st CRC member. If you have the pumpkin on Tuesday morning, November 24, please place it on the north lawn of church. It will be brought inside for the Thanksgiving service so we can all share why we're grateful.

Care Group 2A (Koelewyn/Van Schouwen/Reichert) will gather for lunch this morning at 11:30 in the upper level of our ministry building. Guests and college students are welcome!

Care Groups 3A (Vander Berg/Eekhoff/De Stigter) & 3B (Zuidema/Floen/Fopma/De Groot) will have a lunch together this morning at 11:30 in the fellowship hall. Guests and college students are welcome!

You are invited to attend a lecture by Dr. N. Gray Sutanto, associate professor of systematic theology at Reformed Theological Seminary in Washington, D.C. **The lecture, "What Does It Mean to Be Human? Herman Bavinck and Anthropology**," will be held in the Overlook, located in the Campus Center at Dordt University on **Monday, November 9 at 7:30 p.m.** The lecture will seek to address the question, "What is humanity?" In an age of AI, there is perhaps no more pressing question than this today. Drawing from his new book on a biblical account of humanity (*For Us and Our Salvation*) and the work of Herman Bavinck, this lecture retrieves a theology of the image of God that highlights human uniqueness and embodiment from the Reformed tradition.

THANKSGIVING offering envelopes are in your mailboxes. Please note the memo with the envelope for specific instructions regarding disbursement.

Our annual THANKSGIVING worship service will be on **Wednesday, November 25, at 7:00 PM**. You are invited to stay for refreshments after the service.

King's Daughters will be having their end of year potluck supper on Monday, November 9 at The Regency at 6:00 p.m. We will resume our new study series again on February 8.

A BABY SHOWER at 1st CRC will be held with a social following our morning service **next Sunday, November 15,** in honor of a new baby, Kollyns De Vries, daughter of Drew & Ambra De Vries. Gifts may be placed on the table in the fellowship hall by Nov. 15. If anyone would like to go in on a shower gift card, please bring your contribution to the church office by 12:00pm this Wednesday, Nov. 11. Your pastoral assistant can also be contacted to pick up your donation if you are unable to bring it to church.

Sioux Center Christian School Trustee Nominations 2026. The board is seeking to fill three open Trustee positions for the 27-28 school year. Any member of the SCCS Society can submit nominations. Trustees must meet all the requirements in order to serve in this role. You are encouraged to submit nominations by November 28, 2026. Go to siouxcenterchristian.com > Connect With Us > SCCS News to submit nomination and learn more about the requirements and qualifications.

An EDITOR is immediately needed to help format and publish our **monthly First Fellowship** newsletter. Contact Tracy Eekhoff (712-441-1082 or eric.tracy.eekhoff@gmail.com) for more information.

Sioux Center Christian School will be hosting a Veterans Day Assembly on Wed., Nov. 11 at 1:35 pm in the Blazer Center. All community veterans and their family members are invited to join us as we honor and express gratitude for your service! Please feel free to spread the word to any local veterans. We look forward to recognizing and celebrating you!

Due to the recent rain, the **Fall Cleanup** has been rescheduled for Saturday, November 14.

Church Family

We express our Christian sympathy to Charles & Marlene Veenstra on the passing of Charles' younger brother, Ed Veenstra of Pella, IA, on November 4.

Please remember Evelyn Vis in your prayers as she was taken to Sioux Falls Avera on November 2 after a fall resulting in a broken femur which required surgery.

Phyllis Wood is at Accura HealthCare in LeMars for rehab following her hip surgery.

Our mom, Dorothy Nibbelink, we'll be celebrating her 95th birthday on Sunday, November 8. She loves cards and she reads every one of them. So if you feel like you would like to send her a card, her address is Dorothy Nibbelink, 1005 7th St NE, Orange City, IA 51041. This address is for her new home at Prairie Ridge Care Center in Orange City.
-from her children, Barb (Nibbelink) Hibma and Kevin Nibbelink

Prayer Requests

Please pray for the following homebound members this week: Sally Koldenhoven, Jo Vander Werf, and Marvin & Esther Van Donselaar.

Members to pray for the week of November 8: Kurt, Jennifer, Calum & Ellie Monroe; Dorothy Mouw; Jim & Nancy Mouw; Ashton & DeeAnn Muilenburg; Harlan & Maria Muilenburg.

The Outreach Committee would like the congregation to pray for Keo & Boonjun Phommarath.

This week please be in prayer for God's blessings on the New Life Church congregation and the ministry of Pastors Bobby Van Otterloo and Dan Kruse.

Youth Group

Nov 11 – ConneXtions
Nov 18 – ConneXtions

Early Teen Ministry (ETM)

Nov 15 – Meet at 7:30pm in the upper level of our ministry building.

What's Happening This Week (November 8 – November 15)

Today	9:30am	Morning worship service led by Rev. Kurt Monroe, with an offering for Ministry Fund and Christian Education Fund.
	10:45am	Church Education
	10:45am	Christian Education Committee Meeting – Office
	11:00am	Women's Sermon Discussion – Room 3
	11:00am	College Student Sermon Discussion – Lower Lev Min Bldg
	11:30am	Care Group 2A Luncheon – Upper Level Ministry Building
	11:30am	Care Groups 3A & 3B Luncheon – Fellowship Hall
	6:00pm	Evening worship service led by Rev. Kurt Monroe, including the celebration of the Lord's Supper, with an offering for the Benevolent Fund.
Monday	6:00pm	King's Daughters Potluck – The Regency
	7:00pm	Special Council Meeting – Fireside Room
	7:30pm	Elders' Meeting – Council Room
	7:30pm	Deacons' Meeting – Fireside Room
Tuesday	9:30am	Grandmother's Moms in Prayer Group – Fireside Room
	12:00pm	College/Career Moms in Prayer Group – Fireside Room
	7:00pm	Outreach Committee Meeting – Council Room
	7:00pm	Education Committee Meeting – Fireside Room
Wednesday	6:30am	Men's Life – Council Room
	1:30pm	Rebroadcast of AM Worship Service on Channel 12
	5:00pm	Wednesday Night Meal – Fellowship Hall
	6:45pm	Cadets – Lower Level Ministry Building
	7:00pm	GEMS at Bethel CRC
	7:00pm	Youth Group – Connextions – Upper Level Ministry Building
Thursday	6:30pm	Women's Bible Conversations – Fireside Room
	7:00pm	Friendship Bible Class – Fellowship Hall
Saturday	8:00am	Fall Cleanup
Next Sunday	9:30am	Morning worship service led by Rev. Kurt Monroe, with an offering for Ministry Fund, Christian Education Fund, and Denominational Pledge.
	10:30am	Baby Shower Social
	10:45am	Church Education
	11:00am	Women's Sermon Discussion – Room 3
	11:00am	College Student Sermon Discussion – Upper Lev Min Bldg
	6:00pm	Evening worship service led by Mr. Trevor Mouw, with an offering for World Renew.
	7:30pm	ETM – Upper Level Ministry Building